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QUALITY OF 1946-47 SOYBEAN CROP LOWEST IN SEVERAL YEARS

The 1946-47 soybean crop fell considerably below the high quality of the three previous crop years, according to reports to the Department of Agriculture. Only 70 percent graded No. 2 or better compared with 92 percent, 88 percent, and 86 percent respectively for the three years immediately preceding.

The total of 83,726 cars inspected during the crop year 1946-47 was the smallest in the last three years but larger than the crop years 1940-43.

September 1947 inspections totaled 433 cars, with 60 percent grading No. 2 or better. The average for the month of September for the crop years 1940-45 was 850 cars, with 70 percent grading No. 2 or better.

Inspections of soybeans in September included the equivalent of 34 cars inspected as cargo and truck receipts equal to about 37 cars.

Soybeans: Inspected receipts, September 1947, in carlots 1/.

Class	Grade					September 1947	Total	Total
	No.1	No.2	No.3	No.4	Sample		Oct.1, 1946-	Sept.30, 1947
	:	:	:	:	:			
Yellow	:	119:	134:	105:	24:	41:	423:	80,586
Green	:	0:	2:	1:	1:	0:	4:	112
Brown	:	0:	0:	0:	0:	0:	0:	230
Black	:	1:	0:	0:	0:	0:	1:	1,005
Mixed	:	2:	2:	1:	0:	0:	5:	1,793
Total cars	:	122:	138:	107:	25:	41:	433:	
Percentages	:	28:	32:	25:	6:	9:	100:	
October-September Cars	22,688:	35,513:	19,144:	5,309:	1,072:			83,726
1946-47 Percentages	:	27:	43:	23:	6:	1:	:	100
October-September Cars	60,957:	16,525:	5,016:	1,309:	550:			84,357
1945-46 Percentages	:	72:	20:	6:	1:	1:	:	100

1/ Cargo and truck receipts converted to carlots on basis of 1,650 bushels equal 1 carlot.



